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# Newsletter

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### Thanks

... to the ICAS parent support team

... to those who have supported their children in the run up to cross country

... to those who fed back on our cohort entry programme

... to Martin and Ann Smith who have kindly allowed us to use their property (across from the school) for cross country this year

### People of the week

... Players of the day - Matarau Netball 1 Nyree P, Matarau 3 - Everyone - outstanding display of team work & improved skills last Saturday. Matarau 2 Netball team - Isabell A

.. Corbett R who this week took the initiative to make lunchtime more interesting for himself and other children by taking out new sports gear and organising games for younger children. Well done Corbett.

... Tyler C ... see the end of the newsletter to find out why.

### Term Calendar ... More to follow as dates come to hand!

21 August

BoT meeting

22 August

School Cross Country

24 August

Taniwha Challenge (Zone Cross Country), Te Horo

31 August

Year 7 and 8 Netball Tournament

31 August

Whangarei Interschool Cross Country (Barge Park)

5 September

Boostrix Vaccinations (Year 7 boys and girls)

7 September

Meeting to discuss Cambridge programme

12 September

Choir performance at Forum North

19 September

Year 7 and 8 Volley Ball Tournament

25 September

School Talent Show

27 September

Junior School Production

**29 September**

Final day for term 3 (16/10 ... First day term 4)

### School Cross Country - Tuesday 22 August

You are warmly invited to support our cross country runners on the afternoon of 22 August. Please extend this invitation to extended family. The event will be held across the road, up the right of way at Number 3 Tudehope Road. Approximate race times are listed on the back of the newsletter (ages are at 1 January)

*Sponsors of this year's School Cross Country ..  
Retro Hair Design!*

### International Schools Competitions

Please return all the English and Mathematics practice papers & answer sheets to the office next week.

### School Annual Report

... including financials is now on our school website .. just click on the "About Us" tab.

**Please refer to recent newsletters (stored on our website) for information on...**

- |                                             |                          |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| ... Cohort Consultation                     | ... school Lunches       |
| ... Not attending next year                 | ... Boostrix vaccination |
| ... Close proximity of cross country events | ... service virtue       |
| ... term contributions                      | ... headlice inspections |
| ... Calendar art orders                     |                          |

**Taniwha Challenge - Postponement**

As advised last week, the Taniwha Challenge (to be held at Te Horo School) has been postponed to 24 August. If you gave consent, or offers of transport, for the earlier event, we will assume these consents and offers of transport apply also to the new date unless advised on Monday or by voice message over the weekend.

**Term 4 Ooz Applications**

As there were sufficient places available for the applications received, it has not been necessary to conduct a ballot. All applicants have been contacted and asked to confirm their acceptance of the place offered by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September. If we have not had confirmation by then your child's place maybe be given to another.

**Ooz Applications / ballot for 2018**

At its forthcoming meeting the board will determine the number of available places, if any, for 2018. We will keep you posted. The goals are always favourable class numbers, wise use of resourcing, and a total roll that does not exceed the low 300's.

**Central Northland Science and Technology Fair**

Parents of children representing our school are asked to please return outstanding consent forms early next week. Any questions in the run up please to Mrs Donaldson. .

**Home Gardens**

Expression of Interest forms will be sent home next week. Please contact Mrs Burgin with any questions.

**Calf Club Day - Thursday 19 October 2017**

If you haven't already, you need to start thinking now if your child/ren want to rear calves, lambs or goats. The animal must be born after 1st July 2017. Calves are judged on rearing and leading. Lambs are judged on rearing, leading & calling. Goats are judged on rearing, leading & calling.

A booklet on how to prepare a lamb or calf for calf club day is available from the office.



You can also bring a 'pet' which can include rabbits, guinea pigs, fish, chicken etc. A pet booklet will be sent home with interested children nearer the end of term. Note that NO DOGS or PUPPIES are permitted and the animal will need to be in a cage for the duration of the day. **Please do not bring pregnant animals or new-borns on the day as this could put them under stress that would not be good for their health.**

More information will be sent home closer to the end of the term.

**School Fees - Term Invoices/Statements**

... have been sent home earlier this week with your child. Please arrange to make payments - in full or part at your earliest convenience. Regular direct credits are more than welcome if that suits your budget.

**Junior production - Save the date!**

Our junior school will be presenting a mini production combining our learning in the performing arts of dance, singing, instrumental and drama. The production is based on the fairy tale Pinocchio - Fairy tale Metamorphosis! We will be performing for the school and kindergarten on Wednesday 27th September at 11:30am and for parents and whanau on Thursday 28th September at 11:30am in week 10 of this term.

### Headlice

All parents are asked to check their children's hair weekly please.



### Art Scholarship

Early next term we will be calling for expressions of interest in our 2017 Art Scholarships. This is an opportunity to present a portfolio of artwork for judging, with the potential to win a school cup and a small prize. Maybe chat to your children about this and, if you would like the information early, just give Kevin a call next week. We have had some outstanding portfolios in year's past and are keen to see this tradition continue.

### Cambridge Meeting / Year 7 & 8

A meeting has been scheduled for 3.15pm Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September at which we will run through our Cambridge programme, share our thoughts so far, possibly share some data, identify next steps & take questions. You might like to take this opportunity to learn more about this exciting programme.

### Planning for 2018

.. is already under way. Knowing if your child will be attending our school is important in order to achieve optimal staffing and class numbers. If you know your child(ren) will NOT be at Matarau School next year, and you have not advised us, please let us know on Monday, or by voice message this weekend. Additionally, if your plans change at any stage, it is really helpful if you let us know. Many thanks.

### Finally .. Tyler C, Room 3

Parents have been asked to advise us of shining examples of other centred-ness. This week we received the following email from one of our parents. We were so proud Tyler to get this email. Thank you for representing our school so well last weekend, and for setting an example for us all to follow. Your parents must be so proud of you.

*On Saturday our youngest hockey team (6yr olds) played a great game, dominating their opposition, and as you can imagine, this was not that much fun for the other team. Down about 8 nil and nearing the end of the game, the other team's coach placed the ball down for her team to once more restart and said, "last one okay guys"*

*Tyler Curnow turned around and said to his nearest teammate, "let them score a goal"*

*Unfortunately, not all of his team heard this. Tyler shadowed the other team, not tackling, leading them closer to their goal, trying to tell his team mates to let them score as they started to tackle.*

*Tyler even started to tackle his own team, trying to give the ball back to them!*

*They did not score before the end of the game. But thought this was so cool of Tyler. Our teams coach heard him say this too and he got player of the day...a second for the day as he received player of the day for his rugby team earlier in the day!*

Regards ... *nga mihi*

Kevin Trewhella  
PRINCIPAL

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## School Lunches



**Mondays** - \$3.00 : Baked Beans or Spaghetti served with toast & a juice, or Chicken or Beef Cup of Noodles & a juice. Order at the office by morning tea on Monday.

**Wednesdays** - \$1.50 : for Sausage (meat or vegetarian option) in bread with sauce. Order on Wednesday mornings through the classroom teacher.

**Fridays** - \$4.00 : Mince (or Mince & Cheese) Pie, Sausage Roll (with Museli Bar), butter chicken wrap and a Fruit Drink. You can swap the fruit drink for a flavoured milk for \$5.00. Order by Wednesday afternoon at the latest at the office, to receive Friday.

**Monday & Friday Lunch update** - in the next week or 2, we will be announcing an extended menu option which will include a wider range & some healthier options. Watch this space!!!

## School Cross Country Race Times

You are warmly invited to support our cross country runners on the afternoon of 22 August. Please extend this invitation to extended family. Ages are at 1 January 2017. The event will be held across the road, up the right of way at Number 3 Tudehope Road. The closest parking is at the school or along Matarau or Tudehope Roads. Please allow time to walk up to the course start/spectator area.

Year Group	Race Time	Age Group
Year 7 & 8	12:40	12 and 13 year olds (Girl then boy)
	12:50	11 year olds (Girl then boy)
Year 5 & 6	1:05	10 year olds (Girl then boy)
	1:15	9 year olds (Girl then boy)
Year 3/4	1:30	8 year olds (Girl then boy)
Year 3/4 (that were not 8 as of 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2017)	1:40	Yr 3/4 Girls
	1:50	Yr 3/4 Boys
Year 2	2:00	Yr 2 Girls
	2:10	Yr 2 Boys
	2:15	Year 0/1 Girls
Year 0/1	2:20	Year 0/1 Boys
Kindy Race	2:25	All together
End of the day	2.35	<b><u>Prize Giving-</u></b> Everyone help pack up Return to school for buses.

## **Community Notices**



**Recycling Old Mobile Phones** After \$2.5 million donated to the Starship Foundation from the sale of unwanted old mobile phones it is time for a new multi award winning NZ charity - Sustainable Coastline to benefit from this scheme. It would be great if you could rummage around in your drawers and toy boxes and bring into School any unwanted mobile phones you may have. Phones collected help our School gain valuable rewards and also the environment benefits by keeping our landfills free of mobile phones and their array of hazardous toxic substances. Please drop any unwanted mobile phones you may have in the collection box in the Office at School.

**Wanted - Beef Farm Worker**, Purua Area. Handyman, Builder, Fencer. Casual or Full Time. Ph 433 5636.

**House cleaner required** 2-3 hours per week for general household cleaning work. Close to school. Please contact Louise on 0274 524 756 if you are interested.

**House to Rent wanted** – Family of 5 looking for a 3-4 bedroom house to rent. Preferably rural. Tidy people with great references. Please call Sharon on 027 631 9361

**Glow in the Dark Disco** Purua School fundraiser, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August, Purua Hall, for Ages 4-14 years only. \$2 entry (free glowstick). Ring Purua School for tickets 433 5841.

**Wave Rave at Whangarei Aquatics Centre** - Saturday 26th August - 6.30pm - 8.30pm; Children aged 8yrs - 16yrs; There will be Competitions and Games; Aqua Run; Hydroslide; Bombing Competitions; Wave Rave Sports; a DJ;  
Entry - \$8.00 - If you're planning on going to the Wave Rave please buy your tickets through Eve Finlayson (Susie and Rose's sister). Tickets bought through Eve will fundraise towards Collier Dev Hockey Team. NB we only make money from the tickets we pre sell and not for any tickets bought at the Aquatics Centre. Contact Eve's email: [eviefinlayson@gmail.com](mailto:eviefinlayson@gmail.com) or Eve's mum on 0274 525 398.

**Whangarei Choral Society presents** Gounod's The Solemn Mass of St Cecilia, with Whangarei Youth Music. Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2.30pm. Morris & Morris Chapel, 199 Kamo Road. Tickets/Programmes at the door. Adults \$20; Under 17 \$10.